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DETECTION OF NUCLEIC ACID

SEQUENCE DIFFERENCES

USING THE LIGASE DETECTION REACTION WITH ADDRESSABLE

ARRAYS

Examiner: P. Ponnaluri

Art Unit: 1639

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

In the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph on page 9, lines 9-14 with the following

paragraph:

Figures 13A-C show two alternative formats for oligonucleotide probe capture. In Figure 13A, the addressable array-specific portions are on the allele-specific probe. Alleles are distinguished by capture of fluorescent signals on addresses Z1 and Z2, respectively. In Figures 13B and 13C, the addressable array-specific portions are on the common probe and alleles are distinguished by capture of fluorescent signals F1 and F2, which correspond to the two alleles, respectively.

Please replace the paragraph on page 9, lines 30-31 with the following

paragraph:

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION UNDER 37 CFR § 1.114 TRANSMITTAL

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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR § 1.114 of prior application number 08/794,851, filed on February 4, 1997, of Francis Barany, George Barany, Robert P. Hammer, Maria Kempe, Herman Blok, and Monib Zirvi entitled DETECTION OF NUCLEIC ACID SEQUENCE DIFFERENCES USING THE LIGASE DETECTION REACTION WITH ADDRESSABLE ARRAYS.

This Request is accompanied by submission(s) pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.114(b) and other materials as follows:

- 1. [] Enter the unentered amendment previously filed on [*enter date] under 37 CFR 1.116 in the prior nonprovisional application.
- 2. [X] A Preliminary Amendment (5 pages) and Appendix A (4 pages) is enclosed.
- 3. A new power of attorney is enclosed herewith.
- 4. [X] Letter to the Official Draftsman with corrected Figures 13 and 21 attached.
- 5 [X] Submission of Corrected Formal Drawings with 34 sheets of corrected formal drawings attached.
- 6. [X] Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) with PTO-1449 form (in duplicate) and copy of the reference(s) are enclosed herewith.
- 7. The filing fee is calculated on the basis of the claims existing in the prior application as amended above:

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8.	[X]	A check in the amount of \$750.00 is enclosed to cover the above filing fee.
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11.	Small entity status:	
	[]	Applicant claims small entity status. (See 37 CFR 1.27.)
	[]	A small entity statement was filed in the prior nonprovisional application and such status is still proper and desired.
	[]	is no longer claimed.
12.	[X]	A self-addressed, prepaid postcard for acknowledging receipt.
13.	Other:	

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